



**CITY OF LODI
COUNCIL COMMUNICATION**

AGENDA TITLE: Adopt Resolution Directing the City Clerk to Prepare Ordinance Summaries for Publication Pursuant to California Government Code §36933

MEETING DATE: February 18, 2004

PREPARED BY: City Clerk

RECOMMENDED ACTION: That Council adopt a resolution directing the City Clerk to prepare ordinance summaries for publication pursuant to California Government Code §36933.

BACKGROUND INFORMATION: California Government Code §36933 requires the City Clerk to publish each ordinance within 15 days after its passage, along with the names of those City Council Members voting for and against the ordinance, in a newspaper of general circulation published and circulated in the City.

As an alternate to publishing the full text of an ordinance, the City Council may also satisfy the publication requirement of Government Code §36933 by taking the following recommended actions:

1. Designate the City Clerk to prepare a summary of the proposed ordinance;
2. Publish the summary in a newspaper and post a certified copy of the full text of the proposed ordinance in the Office of the City Clerk at least five days prior to the City Council meeting, at which the proposed ordinance is to be adopted; and
3. Within 15 days after the adoption of the ordinance, publish the summary of the ordinance, along with the names of the City Council Members voting for and against the ordinance, and post the full text of the ordinance, along with the names of the City Council Members voting for and against the ordinance in the Office of the City Clerk.

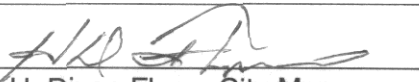
In the past six months alone, the City has spent approximately \$4,700 publishing the full text of ordinances in the Lodi News-Sentinel. It would be more economical for the City to publish summaries of ordinances, and it is, therefore, recommended that the City Council adopt the attached resolution directing the City Clerk to prepare ordinance summaries for publication pursuant to California Government Code §36933.

FUNDING: Reduction in cost for publishing ordinances.


Susan J. Blackston
City Clerk

SJB/JMP

APPROVED:


H. Dixon Flynn, City Manager

RESOLUTION NO. 2004-28

A RESOLUTION OF THE LODI CITY COUNCIL
DIRECTING THE CITY CLERK TO PREPARE
ORDINANCE SUMMARIES FOR PUBLICATION
PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT
CODE SECTION 36933

WHEREAS, California Government Code Section 36933 requires the City Clerk to publish each ordinance within 15 days after its passage, along with the names of those City Council members voting for and against the ordinance, in a newspaper of general circulation published and circulated in the City; and

WHEREAS, as an alternate to publishing the full text of an ordinance, the City Council may also satisfy the publication requirement of Government Code Section 36933 by taking the following actions:

1. Designate an official to prepare a summary of the proposed ordinance,
2. Publish this summary in a newspaper and post a certified copy of the full text of the proposed ordinance in the Office of the City Clerk at least five days prior to the City Council meeting at which the proposed ordinance is to be adopted, and
3. Within fifteen (15) days after the adoption of the ordinance, publish the summary of the ordinance along with the names of the City Council members voting for and against the ordinance, and post the full text of the ordinance along with the names of the City Council members voting for and against the ordinance in the Office of the City Clerk;

WHEREAS, it is often more economical and efficient for the City to publish summaries of ordinances, rather than complete ordinances; and

WHEREAS, the publication of ordinance summaries provides adequate notice to the public of the legislative actions being taken by the City Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, ORDERED, AND FOUND by the City Council of the City of Lodi that:

1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct.
2. The City Clerk shall be the city official designated to prepare summaries of ordinances for publication, pursuant to Government Code section 36933(c)(1).
3. The City Clerk shall, when it is efficient and practical to do so, publish summaries of ordinances in the manner prescribed by Government Code section 36933(c)(1).
4. When deemed necessary by the City Clerk, the City Clerk may publish the full text of ordinances in the manner prescribed by Government Code section 36933(a).

Dated: February 18, 2004

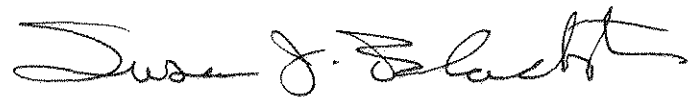
I hereby certify that Resolution No. 2004-28 was passed and adopted by the Lodi City Council in a regular meeting held February 18, 2004, by the following vote:

AYES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Beckman, Howard, Land, and Mayor Hansen

NOES: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBERS – Hitchcock

ABSTAIN: COUNCIL MEMBERS – None

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Susan J. Blackston". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "S" and a stylized "J".

SUSAN J. BLACKSTON
City Clerk